

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: C. Rapp
NOBUAKI OGUSHI, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2121
Application. No.: 09/988,572)
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The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel Claims 16-30 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Please amend Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 13 as shown below. A marked up copy of Claims 1-7, 9, 10, and 13, showing the changes made thereto, is attached in Appendix A. For the Examiner's convenience, all claims currently pending in this application have been reproduced below: